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REMARKS

The Examiner's Action mailed on September 21, 2003 has been received and its contents carefully considered. Initially, it is noted with appreciation that claims 1 - 19, and 70 have been allowed.

In this Amendment, applicant has amended the application by replacing the specification with the attached Substitute Specification. A marked version also is attached. Claims 13, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 30 - 32, 34, 38 - 40, 43 - 47, and 57 were amended. Claims 1 - 70 remain pending in the application. For at least the following reasons, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance.

Corrected formal drawings, Figs. 1 - 5 are submitted in accordance with requirements of a Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review.

The Examiner rejected claims 20 - 69 as failing to provide antecedent basis for certain terms in claims 20 and 24. Claims 20 and 24 have been amended to provide the antecedent basis. The Examiner also states that some steps are not understood and should be directed to a method of making a flow sensor. The method claims have been so amended.

Because this Amendment fully responds to all of the Examiner's objections and rejections, it is submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. Such action and the passing of this case to issue are requested. Should the Examiner feel that a conference would help to expedite the prosecution of the application, the Examiner is

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hereby invited to contact the undersigned counsel to arrange for such an interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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